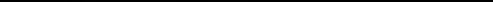


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NOTE: This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(e) (enacted on April 26, 2000) permits a patent owner to request a continued prosecution of an application that was abandoned or withdrawn if the owner timely files a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a) (PTO 562/29) before an RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIA. See Changes to Application Examination and Patent Term Adjustment Under the America Invents Act (Pub. L. No. 102-222, 114 Stat. 2399, 35 U.S.C. § 141, effective April 26, 2000). (3732 ORC Gen. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 19, 2000).)

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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1995 (AIPA).

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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.a. Previously submitted

i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on August 13, 2001

ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. Other IDS filed 8/15/01

b. Enclosed

i. Amendment/Reply

ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

b. Other

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 13-5135

i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. Other _____

b. Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosedc. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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